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Mayor Michelle Farris and the rest of our council attended the annual Alberta Municipalities Trade Show & Convention in Calgary from September 19th—23rd. As most of you may know, the current state of Highway 58 is a major concern for our council, especially with winter quickly approaching.

Mayor Farris stepped up to the mic in front of 500+ people to address Honorable Minister Prasad Panda, Alberta's current minister of transportation, regarding the repairs needed for Highway 58. After his address, she also tracked him down personally during the conference to ensure he understood the severity of our situation. Mayor Farris stressed how important Highway 58 is to the residents of Rainbow Lake as well as our neighbours, the Dene Tha'. The current state of our highway is a major safety concern—one with high stakes.



Pictured above: Mayor Michelle Farris & Minister Panda

Minister Panda agreed with Mayor Farris that the current project timeline, estimated to be completed in 2024, may not be acceptable and has assured her he will look into it.

Thank you to Mayor Farris for stepping up for our residents, to try to ensure our access to groceries, medications, health services, etc. is secure for the winter season and thank you to all the residents that wrote letters to the Minister on behalf of our community.



Here is some members of our council during the convention in Calgary!

Top Row: CAO Dan Fletcher, NDP Transportation Critic Lorne Dach, Councillor Christopher Mitchell

Front Row: Councillor Julie Melville, Mayor Michelle Farris, Councillor Koral D'Aoust

INTERNET GRANT

On Friday, September 23rd 2022, Honorable Gudie Hutchings, Minister of Rural Economic Development, Honorable Nate Glubish, Minister of Service Alberta and George Chahal, Member of Parliament for Calgary Skyview, announced both federal and provincial funding to bring high-speed internet access to 10,400 households in rural communities across Alberta—including the Town of Rainbow Lake.

This has been a long project in the making and we are thrilled to be able to share the great news with you!!!

We would like to thank all residents and businesses who helped contribute to the grant application by writing letters. This project wouldn't have been possible without your support.

We are moving forward, aiming to get started by October 10th. We aim to have the project completed as soon as we can, to bring you all better access to high speed internet. We will be offering different levels of packaging, starting at the same cost of our current internet package and all levels will include unlimited data.

This is all the information we are able to give you at this time, but we look forward to getting this project underway and will update you all when we can.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Families from Rainbow Lake joined **The Village** for Family Board Game Night on Thursday, September 22. They played giant Jenga and Checkers, Candyland and Scrabble, and had pizza and cupcakes. Thank you to all the families who came out to play and to the Village for offering awesome programs to our community!







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Saturday October 1st, 2022 2:00 pm-4:00 pm

Celebrating International Day of Older Persons in Rainbow Lake

We invite our 50+ year old residents to Bingo & snacks.

LOTS OF PRIZES TO WIN!!!

Doors will open from 1:45pm

"You can only perceive real beauty in a person as they get older"





FALL SUPPER 2022

The Rainbow Lake Community Church's Fall Supper will be on Saturday, October 15th, 2022 at the Rexplex.

Ham, Scalloped Potatoes

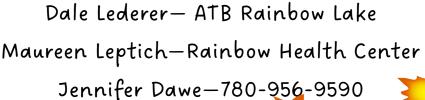
Chicken Fingers for kids \$15/Adult and \$5/Child

All proceeds help to support our community church! There is a silent auction and raffle after dinner.

There will be activities for children there as well!

If you wish to donate to the silent auction or purchase tickets,

please contact:







FREE SKATING

With winter just around the corner, it's that time of year where our recreation department is getting ready to put the ice in!!!

Our first free skate of the year will be on October 7th, 2022

from 5:00-7:00 pm.

All residents are welcome!!!

Happy skating!



UPCOMING AGM

The Rainbow Lake Curling Club will be hosting their annual AGM meeting on October 13th, 2022 at 7:00pm. The meeting will be held in the curling lounge upstairs in the Rexplex.

If you have any questions please contact Penny Murray at 780-956-4360. Good luck to everyone in the upcoming season!



HALLOWEEN DANCE



On October 29th, 2022, The Rainbow Lake Fire Department is pairing with the Rainbow Lake Nursery School to bring us our annual Halloween Dance at the Rexplex. There will be door prizes and an auction! Come dressed up for a chance to win the costume contest!!!

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Keep an eye out in the community for when tickets go on sale!



The Rainbow Lake School's Christmas Craft Fair will take place Saturday, November 19th from 12-4pm at the school gym.

Table rentals are \$25. Contact the school office to book your table at 780-956-3851.

TOWN OFFICE CLOSURES

The Town Office will be closed on Friday, September 30th 2022 in respect of Truth & Reconcilliation Day.

We will resume our normal business hours on Monday, October 3rd, 2022.

We will also be closed on Monday, October 10th for Thanksgiving. We will resume our regular business hours on Tuesday, October 11th, 2022.

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